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| SURFACE RELIEF |) | |

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Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(c), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the document listed on the attached PTO-1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits for the above-referenced application, but before the mailing date of any of a final Action under § 1.113, a Notice of Allowance under § 1.311, or an Action that otherwise closes prosecution. Each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement were cited in the Japanese Office Action dated December 7, 2007 (copy and English translation enclosed) in the counterpart foreign patent application. The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Acct. No. 50-0310 in the amount of **\$180.00** as set forth in §1.17(p).

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Relevance for each of the non-English language documents listed may be ascertained from the English-language translation of the Japanese Office Action and their Abstract. A copy of each listed document is attached. Applicants respectfully note that the following non-English language documents cited in the English-language translation of the Japanese Office Action have been submitted in the IDS filed on Feb 1, 2005 in this application; 1. JP-A-5-197959. 2. JP-A-4-92212, and 3. JP-A-2002-74665. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed document and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

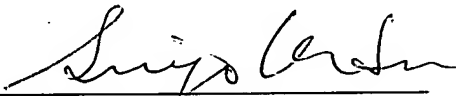
This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If it should be determined that the listed documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, Applicants reserve the right to present to the Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

Applicants further reserve the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should any of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

Except for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. §1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0310. This paragraph is intended to be a **CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)(3).

Respectfully submitted,

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